

through January 1, 2017, the Secretary of Agriculture shall submit to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate a report that describes—

(A) the cropland acreage in each county and State as of the date of submission of the report; and

(B) the change in cropland acreage from the preceding year in each county and State.

SA 3305. Mr. BROWN of Ohio submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3216 submitted by Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. REED, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. AKAKA, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. COONS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. PRYOR, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR) and intended to be proposed to the bill S. 3254, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 8, between lines 12 and 13, insert the following:

(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Section 303A of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, as added by subsection (a), and the amendments made by this section shall take effect on October 1, 2013.

SA 3306. Mr. REID submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 3254, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In the amendment, on page 2, line 5, strike “January 1, 2013” and insert “October 1, 2013”.

SA 3307. Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. NELSON of Florida) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3175 submitted by Mr. RUBIO and intended to be proposed to the bill S. 3254, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 1 of the amendment, beginning on line 2, strike “LIMITATION” and all that follows through page 2, line 14, and insert the following: “**SENSE OF CONGRESS ON NAVY FLEET REQUIREMENTS.**

It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the Secretary of the Navy, in supporting the operational requirements of the combatant commands, should maintain the operational capability of and perform the necessary maintenance on each cruiser and dock landing ship belonging to the Navy;

(2) for retirements of ships owned by the Navy prior to their projected end of service

life, the Chief of Naval Operations must explain to the congressional defense committees how the retention of each ship would degrade the overall readiness of the fleet and endanger United States national security and the objectives of the combatant commanders; and

(3) revitalizing the Navy’s 30-year ship-building plan should be a national priority, and a commensurate amount of increased funding should be provided to the Navy in the Future Years Defense Program to help close the gap between requirements and the current size of the fleet.

SA 3308. Mr. BARRASSO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2875 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. TESTER) to the bill S. 3525, to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 207.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Yajuan Lu, a health care fellow in my office, be allowed privileges of the floor for the remainder of the 112th Congress.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. CHAMBLISS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Igor Dubinski, an Army fellow in my office, be allowed floor privileges for the remainder of the consideration of S. 3254.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. BROWN of Ohio. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the following nominations: Calendar Nos. 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, and all nominations placed on the Secretary’s desk in the Army and Navy; that the nominations be confirmed en bloc, the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate; that no further motions be in order to any of the nominations; that any related statements be printed in the RECORD; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate’s action and the Senate then resume legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nominations considered and confirmed en bloc are as follows:

IN THE ARMY

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

To be brigadier general

Colonel John H. Hort

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army Medical

Corps to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., sections 624 and 3064:

To be major general

Brig. Gen. Joseph Caravaiho, Jr.

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

To be brigadier general

Col. Clayton M. Hutmacher

The following Army National Guard of the United States officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., sections 12203 and 12211:

To be brigadier general

Col. Kyle E. Goerke

The following named officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be brigadier general

Col. Peter A. Bosse

The following named officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be brigadier general

Col. Joseph E. Whitlock

The following named officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be major general

Brig. Gen. Karen E. LeDoux

The following named officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be major general

Brig. Gen. David G. Clarkson

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Mark A. Milley

IN THE MARINE CORPS

The following named officer for appointment as Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps, and appointment to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 5044 and 601:

To be general

Lt. Gen. John M. Paxton, Jr.

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Marine Corps to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be general

Gen. Joseph F. Dunford, Jr.

NOMINATIONS PLACED ON THE SECRETARY’S DESK

IN THE ARMY

PN1944 ARMY nomination of William A. Christmas, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 13, 2012.

PN1982 ARMY nomination of Alan F. Pomaville, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of November 13, 2012.

PN1983 ARMY nomination of James Bentley, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of November 13, 2012.

PN1984 ARMY nomination of Vincent D. Thompson, which was received by the Senate